

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Buford et al. Confirmation No.: 8066  
Application No.: 10/706,480 Group No.: 1725  
Filed: October 27, 2003 Examiner: Lynne Renee Edmondson  
For: SYSTEM AND ASSOCIATED FRICTION STIR WELDING (FSW)  
ASSEMBLY, CONTROLLER AND METHOD FOR PERFORMING  
A FRICTION STIR WELDING OPERATION

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

1. This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of two (2) months to respond to the Office Action dated December 21, 2005.
2. Applicant is ☐ a small entity; ☒ other than a small entity.
3. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5)):
- | Total Months Requested                         | Fee For Other Than Small Entity | Fee for Small Entity |
|--|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> one month             | \$120.00                        | \$60.00              |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> two months | \$450.00                        | \$225.00             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> three months          | \$1,020.00                      | \$510.00             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> four months           | \$1,590.00                      | \$795.00             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> five months*          | \$2,160.00                      | \$1,080.00           |

\*Cannot be used to exceed six-month statutory limit for response to an Official Action.

- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ is enclosed.
- ☒ Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for the extension fee (\$450.00).
- ☒ Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for any fee deficiency.

Respectfully submitted,



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